SENATE OF PAKISTAN



REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CABINET SECRETARIAT

ON

STARRED QUESTION NO.203 ASKED BY SENATOR MUHAMMAD AZAM KHAN SWATI ON 17TH MARCH, 2017, REGARDING THE "DETAILS OF CASES AND VIOLATION OF CDA BY-LAWS ETC. BY VARIOUS SHOPPING MALLS AND HOTELS IN ISLAMABAD DURING THE LAST TWO YEARS INCLUDING SAFA GOLD MALL AND GRAND HAYAT"

REPORT NO.37

PRESENTED BY

SENATOR MUHAMMAD TALHA MEHMOOD CHAIRMAN



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I, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, have the honour to present a report of the Committee on the subject matter of Starred Question No.203 asked by Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati in the Senate in its sitting held on 17th March, 2017, regarding the "details of cases and violation of CDA by-laws by various shopping malls and hotels in Islamabad during the last two years including Safa Gold Mall and Grand Hayat".

2. The composition of the Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat is as under:-

1.	Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood	Chairman
2.	Senator Osman Saifullah Khan	Member
3.	Senator Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi	Member
4.	Senator Kamil Ali Agha	Member
5.	Senator Hidayat Ullah	Member
6.	Senator Shahi Syed	Member
7.	Senator Haji Saifullah Khan Bangash	Member
8.	Senator Khushbakht Shujat	Member
9.	Senator Rahila Magsi	Member
10.	Senator Kalsoom Perveen	Member
11.	Senator Mir Muhammad Yousaf Badini	Member
12.	Senator Najma Hameed	Member
13.	Minister Incharge for Cabinet Division	Ex-officio Member

- 3. The Committee considered and discussed the subject matter of Starred Question in detail in its meetings held on 4th, 18th April and 16th May, 2017,
- 4. The Member (Estate), CDA briefed the Committee that CDA has taken notice regarding violation of by-laws of CDA committed by the following shopping malls and hotels are under:
 - i. Cantaurus Shopping Mall: Notice has been served and fine has been imposed by Deputy Commissioner CDA.
 - ii. Safa Gold Mall: The mall was sealed by CDA which has been resealed on the orders of Islamabad High Court. Some violations have been removed and the matter is still subjudice in High Court.
 - iii. Grand Hayat: The building has been sealed and the allotment letter has been cancelled by CDA possession is with CDA.
- 5. After discussion in detail, the Committee was of the view that before construction CDA should take action regarding violation of bye-laws of CDA pertaining to the construction, after construction CDA takes action which is only loss to general public not to Construction Companies.
- 6. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, Mover of the Starred Question briefed the Committee that the agenda item is very important. He added that construction work was under process at the site of Grand Hayat despite the building was being sealed and the allotment cancelled by the CDA. He further stated that a number of violations of by-laws of CDA have committed by former Chairman CDA and the Management of Centaurus Mall, Safa Gold Mall and Grand Hayat, he was of the view that responsible persons should be given an exemplary punishment.
- The Chairman Committee directed the concerned officer to provide list of officers / officials of the encroachment cell and other departments of CDA, who were deputed on the site of Grand Hayat to watch over the site after it was sealed. He added that the list of officers / officials will be referred to FIA to investigate the matter. Chairman CDA ensured the Committee that he will personally take up the issue and report will be submitted to the Committee. He further added that as per the directions of Court, CDA is responsible to release payment to the buyers of apartments in Grand Hayat and an advertisement in the newspaper will be published soon for the submission of claim with proof of record to the CDA. He further added

that the fate of the Grand Hayat building will be decided by the Court or by the Federal Cabinet and accordingly directions will be followed.

- 8. The Member (Planning) CDA, briefed that according to by-laws of CDA the actions have been taken against the responsible persons of Centaurus Mall, Safa Gold Mall and Grand Hayat and FIA has lodged FIR against the responsible persons of Grand Hayat.
- 9. Mr. Muhammad Akhtar Zaidi, Additional Director, Civil Aviation Authority, stated that 3083 feet according to Law & Aeronautical Study a NOC was issued in favour of construction of Grand Hayat building.
- 10. After discussion in detail, the Committee recommended that an appropriate action may be taken against the responsible persons who have violated by-laws of CDA regarding the constructions of Centaurus Mall, Safa Gold Mall and Grand Hayat and any other construction of buildings; hence the agenda item was disposed of.

(Hyder All Sundrani)
DS/Secretary Committee

(Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood)

Chairman

Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat